## Before the Federal Communications Commission Washington, DC 20554

In the Matter of:

Service Rules Governing Public Safety Narrowband Operations in 769-775/799-805 MHz Bands

PS Docket No. 13-87

The Illinois Secretary of State Police respectfully submits these comments in support of the detailed response to the Commission's Notice of Proposed Rulemaking in the above-captioned proceeding<sup>1</sup> from the State of Illinois, Illinois State Police. These Comments focus on the issue of the Commission extending or eliminating the December 31, 2016 narrowbanding deadline for 700 MHz public safety narrowband licensees to transition from 12.5 KHz to 6.25 KHz channel bandwidth technology. Illinois, one of the licensees to which this deadline would apply, urges the Commission, to allow each entity to convert to this technology based on localized loading needs and financial situations. Additionally, the State urges the Commission to eliminate the deadline for converting to 6.25 KHz and allow user to convert based upon their particular needs of loading available spectrum and fiscal challenges.

The Illinois Secretary of State Police appreciates the opportunity to provide its comments of support for the official detailed response prepared by the Illinois State Police, on behalf of the State of Illinois, to this Notice of Proposed Rulemaking. The Illinois Secretary of State Police alongside all our Public Safety agencies believe that the suggestions herein and in the detailed response of the Illinois State Police will serve as the best possible outcome for Public Safety users throughout the State.

Respectfully Submitted,

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<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> Notice of Proposed Rulemaking, PS Docket No. 13-87